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SUMMARY. OPENING WITH STATEMENT THAT GOJ HAD
RELUCTANTLY COMPLIED WITH DACCA HIJACKERS' DEMANDS
ONLY TO PREVENT LOSS OF LIFE, BULK OF PRIMIN FUKUDA'S
POLICY SPEECH -- AND THOSE OF FONMIN AND FINMIN --
WAS DIRECTED TO ECONOMIC PROGRAM, WHICH THEY DESCRIBED
BOTH AS ROAD TO DOMESTIC RECOVERY AS WELL AS JAPAN'S
FULFILLMENT OF ITS RESPONSIBILITIES IN INTERNATIONAL
ECONOMY. WELL COORDINATED SPEECHS CONTAINED NO
SURPRISES. END SUMMARY.

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1. PRIMIN FUKUDA'S OCTOBER 3 SPEECH TO DIET OUTLINING
GOJ POLICIES AND GOALS FOR JUST-OPENED FORTY-DAY
EXTRAORDINARY DIET SESSION BEGAN WITH REFERENCE TO
HIJACKING OF JAL PLANE BY JAPANESE RED ARMY. HE SAID
GOJ HAD BEEN DEEPLY CONCERNED WITH IMPACT OF ACCEPTANCE
OF CRIMINALS' DEMANDS ON INTEGRITY OF JAPAN'S LEGAL

SYSTEM, BUT HAD BEEN FORCED TO ACCEDE TO HIJACKERS' DEMANDS TO PROTECT LIVES OF HOSTAGES. FUKUDA STRESSED GOJ DETERMINATION TO PREVENT FUTURE HIJACKINGS BY STRENGTHENING BOTH ITS DOMESTIC MEASURES AND COOPERATION WITH OTHER COUNTRIES.

2. FOCUS OF FUKUDA'S PREPARED REMARKS WAS ECONOMIC RECOVERY AND IMPORTANCE OF COOPERATION AMONG ADVANCED NATIONS IN THAT EFFORT. HE SAID THAT "JAPAN, NORTH AMERICA AND WESTERN EUROPE -- THREE MAIN PILLARS OF WORLD ECONOMY" SHOULD STRENGTHEN THEIR CLOSE COOPERATION, AND GOJ WOULD ALSO PROMOTE NORTH-SOUTH DIALOGUE FOR STABILITY OF WORLD ECONOMY.

3. FUKUDA SUMMARIZED GOJ'S MUCH-HERALDED TWO TRILLION YEN (\$7.6 BILLION) SPENDING PROPOSALS AND OUTLINED SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET PROGRAM (ALONG LINES REPORTED REFTEL. BOTH FUKUDA AND FINMIN BO IN FOLLOWING SPEECH STRESSED THAT GOJ ANTI-RECESSIONARY PROGRAM WAS SWEEPING IN SCOPE AND INCLUDED EVERY POLICY MEANS AVAILABLE. FUKUDA SAID PROGRAM'S IMPLEMENTATION WOULD MAKE POSSIBLE REAL GROWTH OF 6.7 PCT IN JFY-77 AND ALSO REDUCE CURRENT ACCOUNT SURPLUS OVER BALANCE OF FISCAL 77.

4. CONCERNING RELATIONSHIP WITH U.S., FUKUDA SAID IT "CONSTITUTES CORNERSTONE OF (GOJ) FOREIGN POLICY. I UNCLASSIFIED

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HAVE BEEN WORKING CLOSELY WITH PRESIDENT CARTER TO PROMOTE JAPAN-U.S. COOPERATION IN GLOBAL CONTEXT. JAPAN AND U.S. AT PRESENT ENJOY A MATURE PARTNERSHIP IN WHICH AMICABLE RESOLUTION OF ANY PROBLEM IS POSSIBLE THROUGH FRANK DISCUSSIONS AND ON THE BASIS OF COMMONLY SHARED PURPOSES. IN REGARD TO RECENT ISSUE OF NUCLEAR-FUEL REPROCESSING, THE TWO COUNTRIES HAVE SUCCEEDED IN REACHING A SATISFACTORY SOLUTION AS A RESULT OF CONSULTATIONS. WITH THIS MATURE AND FRIENDLY RELATIONSHIP AS THE CORNERSTONE OF OUR POLICY, GOJ IS DETERMINED TO MAINTAIN CLOSE COOPERATION WITH U.S. ON MANY ISSUES OF COMMON INTEREST TO BOTH COUNTRIES AND TO CONTRIBUTE TO PEACE AND PROSPERITY OF WORLD."

5. IN SPEECH WHICH FOR MOST PART ECHOED PRIMIN'S, FONMIN HATOYAMA ADDRESSED KOREAN PENINSULA AT SOME LENGTH. HE REITERATED THAT GOJ POSITION WAS "ONE OF ACTIVE COOPERATION WITH NATIONS CONCERNED FOR CREATION OF INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENT CONDUCIVE TO RELAXATION OF TENSION," ADDING THAT GOJ HOPED WITHDRAWAL OF U.S. GROUND TROOPS FROM ROK WOULD BE "CARRIED OUT IN SUCH A MANNER AS NOT TO DISRUPT PEACE AND STABILITY OF

PENINSULA." ON RELATIONS WITH NORTH KOREA, HATOYAMA
EXPRESSED GRATIFICATION OVER CONCLUSION WITH USG OF
AGREEMENT ON NUCLEAR REPROCESSING AND WITH USSR OF INTERIM
AGREEMENT ON FISHERIES.

6. COMMENT. THREE SPEECHES, CAREFULLY COORDINATED
AND NEATLY IN ACCORD, REFLECT WORK OF JAPANESE
BUREAUCRACY AT ITS BEST. AS IS USUAL, PRIMIN'S SPEECH,
GIVING OVERALL POLICY LINE, WAS SMOOTHLY COMPLEMENTED
BY FINMIN'S IN ECONOMIC AREA AND BY FONMIN'S IN FOREIGN
AFFAIRS. RESULT OF THIS PROCESS OF CAREFUL PRIOR
COORDINATION WAS THAT POLICY SPEECHES WENT AS GENERALLY
EXPECTED, BREAKING NO NEW GROUND, BUT USEFULLY
CONFIRMING PRIOR UNDERTAKINGS ON ECONOMIC FRONT.
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